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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2013, 9:30 A.M.**

**2013-14 BUDGET HEARING**

**SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, GOOD MORNING, THE PURPOSE OF TODAY'S BUDGET HEARINGS IS TO ALLOW COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PROVIDE ORAL TESTIMONY ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2013/14 RECOMMENDED BUDGET. BEFORE WE GO ANY FURTHER, I WOULD WANT TO COMMEND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND HIS STAFF FOR THEIR HARD WORK OF PUTTING TOGETHER A RECOMMENDED BUDGET THAT IS FULLY BALANCED USING ONGOING REVENUES AND NOT ONE-TIME RESERVES OR CURTAILMENTS. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN FIVE YEARS THAT THIS HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AND IS THAT SHOULD MAKE US ALL PROUD. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND OUR LABOR PARTNERS FOR THEIR COLLABORATIVE SPIRIT. THE ABSORPTION OF CURTAILMENTS, IMPLEMENTATION OF OPERATING EFFICIENCIES AND SUSPENSION OF WAGE INCREASES ALL ALLOW THIS COUNTY TO AVOID THE LAYOFFS, FURLONGHS AND SERVICE REDUCTIONS THAT HAVE PLAGUED OTHER JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE NATION SINCE 2008. ALTHOUGH THE ECONOMY HAS STARTED TO REBOUND, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS STILL EXPERIENCING HISTORICALLY HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, AS HIGH AS 10.3 PERCENT



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1 AS OF JUST A FEW MONTHS AGO IN THIS FISCAL YEAR AND MANY  
2 JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE STATE AND COUNTRY ARE STILL  
3 SUFFERING. UNCERTAINTIES REMAIN WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
4 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE LIMITED RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR  
5 THE CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY RE-ALIGNMENT,  
6 NAMELY A.B.109, WHICH WE HAD AN EXTENSIVE CONVERSATION ABOUT  
7 IN YESTERDAY'S BOARD MEETING. AS WE MOVE TOWARDS ADOPTING THE  
8 COUNTY BUDGET FOR OUR NEXT FISCAL YEAR, WE WILL BE ENCOURAGED  
9 BY THE STABILIZATION OF REVENUES BUT MINDFUL OF THE IMPORTANCE  
10 OF A SUSTAINABLE WORKFORCE AND SERVICES WHEN CONSIDERING  
11 WHATEVER EXPANSIONS THAT MIGHT COME BEFORE US. AT THIS TIME  
12 I'D LIKE TO OFFER MR. FUJIOKA, OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
13 THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE HIS REMARKS AND THEN WE WILL HEAR  
14 FROM THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD BY WAY OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND  
15 TESTIMONY. MR. FUJIOKA?

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17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** SIR, I'LL KEEP MY COMMENTS REAL SHORT. I  
18 MERELY WILL ECHO YOUR SENTIMENTS. AND WE APPRECIATE THE  
19 COMPLIMENTS OF THE C.E.O. STAFF, RECOGNIZING THAT OUR  
20 PARTNERSHIP WITH YOUR BUDGET DEBTS ARE EQUALLY CRITICAL AND  
21 HELPED US GET TO WHERE WE'RE AT OVER THESE LAST, YOU KNOW,  
22 VERY, VERY DIFFICULT YEARS. WE WILL BE, AS WE MOVE FORWARD  
23 WITH OUR FINAL BUDGET IN LATE JUNE, WE WILL BE UPDATING OUR  
24 PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT PROJECTION. IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S MOVING  
25 IN A FAVORABLE DIRECTION. WE DON'T HAVE THE FINAL AMOUNT RIGHT





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1 NOW. BUT IT IS MOVING TO A POINT WHERE IT'S CONSISTENT WITH  
2 HOW THE ECONOMY'S MOVING. BUT KNOW THAT EVEN WITH THIS CHANGE,  
3 BECAUSE PEOPLE WILL, I THINK, SOME FOLKS, NOT AS MUCH OUR --  
4 THOSE WE WORK CLOSELY WITH ON THE BUDGET, BUT THOSE FROM  
5 OUTSIDE THE IMMEDIATE BOARD AND C.E.O. STRUCTURE MAY ASSUME IT  
6 REPRESENTS NEW MONEY; IT DOESN'T. IT WAS THE ASSUMPTION OF A  
7 POSITIVE MOVEMENT WAS BUILT INTO OUR BUDGET. THIS IS A TIME  
8 THAT I HOPE WE -- I THINK WE HAVE CONSENSUS THAT WE ALLOW THE  
9 COUNTY TO STABILIZE. WE ALLOW OUR DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET TO GET  
10 BACK TO A VERY SOLID, STABLE LEVEL. AND THEN AS THE ECONOMY  
11 FURTHER IMPROVES, WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH ADDITIONAL  
12 ENHANCEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS. BUT THIS IS A YEAR OF TAKING A  
13 DEEP BREATH AND STABILIZING. AND, SO, WITH THAT, I'LL END MY  
14 COMMENTS. BUT FIRST AND FOREMOST, AS I HAVE SAID IN THE PAST,  
15 I NEED TO THANK THIS BOARD. OUR FISCAL POLICIES ARE THE  
16 ABSOLUTE REASON WHY WE'RE IN THE PLACE WE ARE TODAY. I WILL BE  
17 GOING TO NEW YORK NEXT WEEK TO MEET WITH THE BOND RATING  
18 AGENCIES. AND WHAT WE'VE DONE THIS YEAR AND THE PAST FOUR  
19 YEARS IS ABSOLUTELY REFLECTED IN OUR RATINGS AND THE  
20 RECOGNITION WE GET THROUGH THAT PROCESS. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MEMBERS OF  
23 THE BOARD, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,  
24 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ANY COMMENTS AT THIS POINT? SEEING



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1 NONE, LET'S MOVE TO THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON ITEM NUMBER  
2 1, RUBEN G. SOTO, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD. ERIC PREVEN. SIR?

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4 **RUBEN SOTO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RUBEN SOTO.  
5 TODAY I'M REPRESENTING THE 55,000 MEMBERS OF THE SERVICE  
6 EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION, LOCAL 721 WHO WORK FOR THE  
7 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS, THESE MEN AND  
8 WOMEN HAVE ENDURED HIRING FREEZES AND FROZEN WAGES, MOUNTING  
9 WORKLOADS AND SHRINKING BUDGETS. INEVITABLY THE QUALITY OF  
10 SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS SUFFERED.  
11 BUT AS WE LOOK AHEAD, WE'RE ALREADY BEGINNING TO TURN THE  
12 CORNER. AFTER YEARS OF CHRONIC BUDGET SHORTFALLS THE STATE OF  
13 CALIFORNIA IS FINALLY IN THE BLACK AND THE GENERAL FUND OF THE  
14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS NOW SHOWING A SURPLUS. TODAY WE CALL  
15 ON YOU TO DEVELOP A BUDGET THAT REFLECTS THIS FISCAL TURN FOR  
16 THE BETTER: MORE JOBS, BETTER PAY, STRONGER COUNTY. TO PROVIDE  
17 THE LEVEL AND QUALITY OF SERVICES THAT THE RESIDENTS OF L.A.  
18 COUNTY NEED, WE MUST HIRE MORE STAFF AND OFFER COMPETITIVE  
19 SALARIES THAT KEEP UP WITH THE RISING COST OF LIVING. WE  
20 UNDERSTAND HOW CHALLENGING THIS CAN BE, BUT WE DO NOT ACCEPT  
21 THE IDEA THAT WE ARE STUCK IN A ZERO-SUM GAME. AND OVER THE  
22 YEARS, THE MEMBERS OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721 HAVE DEMONSTRATED  
23 THEIR WILLINGNESS AND ABILITY TO AFFECT THE SIZE OF THE PIE --  
24 EXCUSE ME. LAST YEAR WE EXTENDED OUR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING  
25 AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO FOCUS ON EFFORTS TO STABILIZE AND



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1 IMPROVE STATE AND LOCAL BUDGETS. S.E.I.U. MEMBERS COLLECTED  
2 OVER 100,000 SIGNATURES TO PLACE PROP 30, THE MILLIONAIRE'S  
3 TAX ON THE BUDGET AND IT WAS S.E.I.U. MEMBERS, RESOURCES, AND  
4 ENERGY THAT HELPED PUT PROP 30 OVER THE TOP LAST NOVEMBER. AS  
5 A RESULT, BUDGETS ARE ON FIRMER FOOTING TODAY. LAST MONTH,  
6 WHEN C.E.O. FUJIOKA PRESENTED TO YOUR BOARD HIS RECOMMENDED  
7 BUDGET FOR THE NEW FISCAL YEAR, THOUSANDS OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL  
8 721 RESIDENTS MARCHED ON THE RONALD REAGAN STATE BUILDING TO  
9 GIVE THE MESSAGE TO THE GOVERNOR: EXPAND MEDICAID BUT NOT AT  
10 THE EXPENSE OF THE HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET. HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS  
11 OF DOLLARS ARE AT STAKE ALONG WITH THE FUTURE OF HEALTHCARE  
12 FOR THE RESIDUALLY UNINSURED. LAST NIGHT IN THE WEE HOURS OF  
13 THE MORNING, HUNDREDS OF LOCAL 721 MEMBERS BOARDED BUSES TO  
14 SACRAMENTO. TODAY THEY ARE JOINING THOUSANDS OF OTHERS FOR A  
15 RALLY AT THE STATE CAPITOL TO PRESERVE FUNDING FOR COUNTY  
16 HEALTH SERVICES. WE ALSO MUST SECURE REVENUES FROM TAX  
17 DODGERS. WE SAW IN THE TIMES ARTICLE ABOUT MICHAEL DELL,  
18 C.E.O. OF DELL COMPUTERS AND HIS PURCHASE OF THE LUXURY HOTEL.  
19 WE MUST CLOSE LOOPHOLES THAT CORPORATIONS ARE USING TO AVOID  
20 REASSESSMENT, WHICH SHIFTS THE BURDEN ONTO HOMEOWNERS AND THE  
21 LOSS OF REVENUES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. IN THE COMING WEEKS,  
22 S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721 AND OUR ALLIES WILL BE RELEASING A REPORT  
23 WHICH WILL DETAIL HOW ONE OF THE LARGEST PROPERTY OWNERS IN  
24 L.A. COUNTY HAS SUCCESSFULLY DODGED TAXES, COSTING THE COUNTY  
25 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN LOST REVENUES. TODAY, WE CALL ON YOU,





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1 SUPERVISORS, TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH US TO MAXIMIZE REVENUES  
2 SO THAT WE CAN PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS  
3 OF L.A. COUNTY. FAIR PAY FOR WORKERS. FAIR DEAL FOR TAXPAYERS.  
4 AND A FAIR SHARE FROM CORPORATIONS. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
7 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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9 **ERIC PREVIN:** NICELY DONE, MR. SOTO. THAT WAS EXACTLY THREE  
10 MINUTES. WELL DONE. MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN, I AM THE COUNTY  
11 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. AND OF  
12 COURSE I WOULD LIKE TO SAY OF COURSE CONGRATULATIONS AND A  
13 KUDOS ON THE BOND RATING. IT IS IMPRESSIVE. AND WE TOOK NOTE  
14 OF MR. FUJIOKA'S ASSESSMENT THAT WE AT THE MOMENT ARE ONLY IN  
15 THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 120 MILLION DOLLARS GOING TO SERVICE OUR  
16 BOND NEEDS, WHICH IS ONLY .62 IN RATIO AS OPPOSED TO SOMETHING  
17 LIKE 2 PERCENT WHICH IS WHAT PEOPLE THINK IS OKAY OR 4 PERCENT  
18 WHICH IS WHAT PEOPLE THINK IS TOLERABLE. NOW, THE PROBLEM, IS  
19 OF COURSE, WE ARE FAR LARGER THAN ANY OF THESE DINKY LITTLE  
20 MUNICIPALITIES THAT HAVE GONE UNDER, AND WE HAVE FAR MORE AT  
21 STAKE IF WE HAD GONE TO -- AND MR. YAROSLAVSKY KNOWS WHAT I'M  
22 TALKING ABOUT. SO WE WILL ONLY INCH THAT UPWARD ADVISEDLY AND  
23 THAT'S WHY I CAME DOWN, BECAUSE I WANTED TO SAY THAT OF COURSE  
24 I DO OPPOSE A BRAND NEW JAIL PLAN I'VE BEEN VERY EAGER TO SEE  
25 THE ICOM REPORT BACK ON FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE. I KNOW



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1    THERE'S ANOTHER REPORT OUT THAT MOLINA AND OTHERS ASKED FOR  
2    REGARDING THE JAIL PLAN ITSELF TO GET A SENSE OF WHETHER OR  
3    NOT A BILLION DOLLARS, NOT ON MY WATCH, IS GOING TO WORK FOR  
4    SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY OR NOT. WE KNOW THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO  
5    GO FOR 1.4 BILLION WITH 2.6 MILLION BOND COSTS. HE MAY WANT TO  
6    GO FOR OR YOU MAY WANT TO GO FOR SOMETHING UNDER A BILLION. I  
7    WANT TO GO FOR NONE OF IT BECAUSE I THINK THAT THE AUSTIN  
8    REPORT WAS A VERY GOOD ROAD MAP AWAY FROM ACTUALLY NEW COSTLY  
9    CONSTRUCTION. AND I THINK THIS A.B.109, EVEN THOUGH WE HEARD  
10   SOME DRUBBING AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO HEAR MORE DRUBBING ABOUT  
11   OUR FEELINGS ON IT, I THINK IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHIFT THE  
12   PARADIGM AWAY FROM WHAT PEOPLE HAVE DESCRIBED AS AN  
13   INCARCERATION MILL, THAT IS A, NOT EFFECTIVE, B, EXTREMELY  
14   COSTLY AND, C, IT CREATES YOUNG PEOPLE TRAPS THEY CAN'T GET  
15   OUT OF. I'M NOT GOING TO GO PERSONAL TODAY BECAUSE THERE'S SO  
16   MANY OTHER THINGS TO TALK ABOUT. THE UNFILLED POSITIONS IS MY  
17   CONCERN BECAUSE 90,000 WAS THE LAST REPORT I SAW, YET WE'RE  
18   SOMETHING 100 AND CHANGE BUDGETING. THAT'S ALMOST 13,000  
19   UNFILLED POSITIONS. I REALIZE THAT WE DO FEEL LIKE WE'RE  
20   GIVING THE RIGHT KIND OF SERVICE TO THE CONSTITUENTS OF LOS  
21   ANGELES COUNTY BUT OF COURSE IN THE HOSPITALS WE DO HAVE MAJOR  
22   CONCERNS WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, IT WILL BE CHALLENGING  
23   AS YOU CAN IMAGINE. AND OBVIOUSLY I'M VERY WORRIED ABOUT THE  
24   SHERIFF'S BUDGET. THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET IS SIMPLY ENORMOUS. I  
25   THINK THE GENERAL PERCEPTION, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT AVAILABLE



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1 FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE HELPING, IT'S TOO  
2 MUCH MONEY ON SENIOR PEOPLE WHO ARE, YOU KNOW, IN  
3 ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS. AND I KNOW HE'S COMING FOR YOU FOR  
4 MORE MONEY. THERE'S A KIND OF SOMETHING AT PLAY, WHICH IS VERY  
5 UNSETTLING FOR RESIDENTS, WHICH IS THE CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING  
6 VERSUS GIVE ME MORE MONEY DISCUSSION. I ALSO FEEL THAT IN  
7 GENERAL THIS DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO STEP UP REGARDING INFLUENCE  
8 AND OVERSIGHT. AND BY THAT I MEAN AS MUCH AS I DO APPRECIATE  
9 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE PUTTING TOGETHER THESE MEETINGS AND DOING  
10 SO WITH SOME EFFECTIVENESS, IT IS NOT THE RIGHT OVERSIGHT  
11 COMMITTEE. IT REALLY ISN'T. WE NEED TO FIND SOME WAY TO HAVE  
12 THE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT LONG TIME STAKEHOLDERS HERE TO BE THE  
13 ONES OFFERING IMPARTIAL CRITICISM AND THAT APPLIES TO I KNOW  
14 YOU HAVE [INAUDIBLE] INSPECTOR GENERAL [INAUDIBLE] JAILS.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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18 **ERIC PREVIN:** WELL, SIR.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
21 BE HEARD.

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23 **ERIC PREVEN:** IN PUBLIC COMMENT.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** IN JUST A FEW MOMENTS ON PUBLIC  
2    COMMENT. YOU MAY RETAIN YOUR SEAT.

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4    **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY.

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6    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THAT CLOSES PUBLIC COMMENT ON  
7    ITEM NUMBER 1. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I WILL READ IN THE MOTION  
8    THAT WE'RE REQUIRED TO ADOPT. "I MOVE THAT THE BOARD RECEIVE  
9    AND FILE AND TAKE UNDER ADVISEMENT VARIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET  
10    REQUESTS AND COMMENTS DURING THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS  
11    COMMENCING MAY 15 AND MAKE A FINDING THAT A NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
12    BUDGET HEARINGS WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 29080 OF  
13    THE GOVERNMENT CODE THAT SAID HEARINGS COMMENCED ON THE 15TH  
14    OF MAY PURSUANT TO SAID NOTICE AND AS REQUIRED BY SECTION  
15    29081 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE. I ALSO MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE  
16    THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS FOR THE PURPOSES OF ORAL TESTIMONY  
17    WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TESTIMONY FROM SHERIFF LEROY D. BACA  
18    FINDING THAT THERE ARE NO PERSONS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE  
19    SHERIFF WHO HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD OR  
20    TO ALLOW MAXIMUM INPUT OF THE PUBLIC, PERMIT ADDITIONAL  
21    WRITTEN TESTIMONY AND REQUESTS TO BE FILED THROUGH THE CLOSE  
22    OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2013. I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE  
23    BOARD ADJOURN THE SPECIAL MEETING TO TUESDAY, MAY 21, AT NOON,  
24    FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING TESTIMONY OF SHERIFF LEROY  
25    D. BACA. IN ADDITION, THE BOARD CONFIRMS THE BUDGET



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1 DELIBERATIONS WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2013, AT 9 A.M.  
2 THAT ITEM IS BEFORE US. IS THERE A SECOND? PROPERLY MOVED AND  
3 SECONDED. IF THERE ARE NO OPTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS  
4 VOTE. WE WILL NOW TURN TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 2, NAMELY PUBLIC  
5 COMMENT. MR. PREVEN, PLEASE PROCEED.

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7 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
8 ONLY DEPLOYED 1 MILLION DOLLARS. AND SHE IS TO BE APPLAUDED IN  
9 THE RETRIEVAL OF 742 MILLION IN C.R.A. DOLLARS. I KNOW WE DID  
10 HAVE A LITTLE PRESENTATION ON THAT. I'D LIKE TO IDENTIFY THAT  
11 WE ARE PLEASED ABOUT THAT HAUL. HOW THAT MONEY WILL BE  
12 DEPLOYED, I KNOW IS BEING CAREFULLY EARMARKED. I WOULD  
13 APPRECIATE IT IF WE COULD BE DIRECTED WHERE WE COULD SEE HOW  
14 THAT MONEY WILL BE DEPLOYED. I KNOW MOSTLY THAT WILL BE  
15 DEPLOYED FOR GOOD. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ADDING A  
16 POSITION, I LEARNED, ABOUT 159K FOR ONE ADDITIONAL PERSON IF I  
17 READ IT CORRECTLY. AND THE ASSESSOR IS ALSO ADDING A POSITION,  
18 AN ADMINISTRATIVE ROLE FOR 177,000. THAT IS INTERESTING. WE  
19 ARE ALSO TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER THE SEVEN POSITIONS TO GO ON  
20 TOP OF THE 7,400 SOMETHING IN D.C.F.S. THE SHERIFF IS ASKING  
21 FOR A NUMBER OF POSITIONS AND I HAVEN'T SEEN THE UPSHOT. I  
22 KNOW MR. FUJIOKA WILL BE REPORTING WHEN THE SHERIFF IS BACK.  
23 INCIDENTALLY, ODD THAT THE SHERIFF IS OUT OF TOWN AGAIN  
24 BECAUSE THERE WAS SOME NOISE ABOUT WHERE IS THE SHERIFF  
25 CONSTANTLY, GIVEN THAT WE ARE CHASING HIM. NO, HE'S OUT OF





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1 TOWN. OH. MAYBE HE CONFERENCED IN. HE IS A BIG CONFERENCER, OR  
2 MAYBE HE'S NOT HERE. WE'LL ESTABLISH WHETHER OR NOT HE'S HERE  
3 OR NOT. IT'S NOT CRITICAL. IT DOES SEEM LIKE AT A BUDGET  
4 MEETING YOU'D LIKE TO HEAR HIM BUT I KNOW WE WILL HEAR HIM  
5 NEXT WEEK DURING THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING IF I  
6 UNDERSTAND IT CORRECTLY WHICH WILL PUT PRESSURE ON EVERYTHING  
7 BUT WE'LL PAY ATTENTION AND WE'LL BE EXCITED TO HEAR WHAT HE  
8 HAS TO SAY. AND HOPEFULLY BECAUSE THIS TEAM IS WORKING HAND-  
9 IN-HAND BUT ALSO PUTTING PRESSURE ON HIM. WE WILL MAKE IT  
10 CLEAR THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE INCREASING VASTLY HIS BUDGET.  
11 WE'RE GOING TO BE DEMANDING THAT HE REDEPLOY SOME OF THE  
12 ENORMOUS SUMS THAT ARE COMING INTO HIS GROUP IN A WAY THAT  
13 MIGHT BE A TEENY BIT MORE EFFECTIVE. CARPING IS GOING TO BE A  
14 HOT ISSUE AND I KNOW THAT HE WANTS IT TO GO AWAY. CARPING, FOR  
15 THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW, CAME UP THROUGH THE QUALITY AND  
16 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION. IT WAS A GOOD IDEA FOR THE HAVING  
17 MANAGERS ABSORB DEPUTY OVERTIME. THE SHERIFF HAS BEEN IN PAIN,  
18 UNFORTUNATELY. THE MORALE IS LOW AND OF COURSE NOT JUST THAT  
19 BUT HE IS CLAIMING THAT THIS COULD EVEN BE AFFECTING PUBLIC  
20 SAFETY. THAT IS OF COURSE WORRISOME AND I'M NOT 100 PERCENT  
21 CLEAR ON WHY THAT WOULD BE THE CASE. I THINK THAT IT WAS A  
22 GOOD IDEA. I THINK IT SAVED SOME MONEY. AND I THINK THAT THAT  
23 IS THE MONEY THAT SHOULD BE USED, IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE  
24 ADDITIONAL LIEUTENANTS AND RISK MANAGERS, IF THAT'S REALLY THE  
25 SOLUTION FOR THE JAILS. I'VE BEEN ASKING ABOUT THE COMMISSION



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1 ON JAIL VIOLENCE BUDGET. NOW THERE'S SOME REFERENCE THAT THERE  
2 IS ONE. IT'S OVER A MILLION NOW. THIS IS THE PRO BONO  
3 COMMISSION. BUT THERE'S BEEN VERY BAD CONDUCT FROM MR. KRATTLI  
4 AND HIS GROUP IN THE P.R.A. CATEGORY, THAT'S PUBLIC RECORD  
5 ACT. I REALLY WISH THEY WOULD JUST DISCLOSE THIS STUFF. IT  
6 SENDS THE WRONG MESSAGE FOR SUCH A PUBLIC AND OPEN COMMISSION  
7 TO BE HIDING HOW MUCH RICHARD DROOYAN, JOE BRAN, JOE MCGRATH  
8 MIGHT BE GETTING AND WHAT THEY'RE DOING. THERE'S NOTHING WRONG  
9 WITH DISCLOSING THAT. THEY DISCLOSE IT WHEN THEY WORK FOR  
10 OTHER MUNICIPALITIES. SO THAT'S WHY I THOUGHT THAT WOULD BE  
11 APPROPRIATE. REGARDING, I GUESS, PARAGRAPH 73, I JUST HAVE TO  
12 CLOSE ON THAT. THIS IS THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS HAD A DEAL  
13 WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, GIVE ME 30 SECONDS OR LESS SINCE  
14 THERE'S NOT MANY BACKLOGGED HERE TODAY, UNFORTUNATELY. WE ARE  
15 WAITING FOR THE MARK AND AVIS RIDLEY-THOMAS PARKING SUBSIDY  
16 FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IT HAS NOT COME THROUGH BUT IF YOU WILL  
17 GIVE ME 20 SECONDS I WILL CONCLUDE. THE PROBATION PARAGRAPH 73  
18 IS SIMPLY THEY'RE SAYING LET'S TRY TO EMPTY THE CAMPS AS BEST  
19 WE CAN BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT WORKING. THEY'RE SAYING LET'S TRY  
20 THE COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS. WE'RE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
21 TELLING YOU TO DO IT. DO IT. IT'S ON THE BACK PAGE. BUT IT'S  
22 IMPORTANT. IF WE TOOK IT SERIOUSLY, I THINK THERE WOULD BE  
23 SOME GREAT HOPE FOR SOME OF THESE YOUNGER FOLKS. I KNOW YOU'RE  
24 TRYING. APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORT. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN. MAY I SAY  
2    AT ANY POINT IN TIME YOU INVOKE THE NAME OF A MEMBER'S SPOUSE,  
3    YOU MIGHT BE COMPLETELY OUT OF BOUNDS. AND ANY COURTESY THAT  
4    YOU'RE EXTENDED, YOU COMPLETELY VIOLATE IF IN FACT YOU DO  
5    THAT. THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. WELL I CAN MAKE IT PLAIN TO YOU  
6    OFFLINE. IS THERE ANYTHING MORE TO COME BEFORE US?

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8    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO. THAT COMPLETES THE ORAL  
9    TESTIMONY FOR THE BUDGET HEARING.

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11   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE'S NO FURTHER  
12   BUSINESS, THEN, WE ARE INDEED ADJOURNED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
13   ATTENDANCE AND YOUR ATTENTION.

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2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do  
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los  
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors May 15, 2013,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived  
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to  
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by  
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor  
13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
16 20th day of May 2013, for the County records to be used only  
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